

NEW FIRM TAKES OVER BUSES HERE

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estate or buildings were transferred. Headquarters of the transit company for the time being will be at Tide Water's garage, Ninth and Orange streets, which was not included in the sale. Mr. Self said the concern plans eventually to construct a terminal here.

Safeway officials said principal objective of the firm "will be to render to the public an efficient and satisfactory system of bus transportation." Tide Water authorities added that it is believed "the community will be better served by a concern whose principal business is strictly transportation."

Investigation by the Tide Water Power Co. of the purchasers before the sale, officials said, disclosed they were financially responsible, familiar with bus operations and fully competent to operate the system. In determining the sale was not against public interests, the Utilities Commission found these facts to be true.

Samuel A. Jessup has been named president of the local corporation; Claude A. Jessup, general manager and treasurer for the present; and Mr. Hildreth, secretary. Mr. Self will also serve in the capacity of assistant secretary.

In addition, Samuel A. Jessup serves as president of Safeway Trails, Virginia Stage Lines, Virginia Pepsi-Cola company, Monticello Dairy, Inc., Colonial Brick Co., Inc., and City Laundry, in Charlottesville, Va. He is a director of Jackson Park Hotel Corporation, and of Virginia Auto Mutual Insurance Co. He is a member of the Advisory board of National Trailways Motor Bus System, Kiwanis club, Redland club, Chamber of Commerce and other civic boards, and board of Peoples National bank, in Charlottesville, Va.

Besides being president of the Charlottesville and Albemarle Bus system, Claude A. Jessup is vice president of Safeway Trails. He is secretary and treasurer of the Virginia Stage Lines, Colonial Brick Co., and Virginia Pepsi-Cola Co. In addition, he is a member of the Farmington Country club, Rotary club, Chicago Motor Bus club, Membership committee of the Standardization group of National Trailways Bus system, and board of directors of the Virginia Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Hildreth is president of the Peoples National bank, vice president of Cassco corporation, secretary and treasurer of Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation, and a city commissioner in Charlottesville. He is a member of the Redland club, Farmington Country club, Colonnade club, and Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the board of Natural Bridge of Va., Inc., Alberene Stone corporation, Cassco Corporation, Cassco Refrigerating Corp., The Michie Co., Chesapeake Western Railway, and Peoples National bank.

A senior partner of C. F. Cassell and Co., investment bankers, Mr. Cassell is vice chairman of Albemarle chapter of American Red Cross, president of the Virginia Mortgage Co., Inc., and chairman of Virginia State committee of Southeastern group of Investment Bankers association of America, and a member of its Legislation committee. He is a member of the Rotary club, Redland club, Colonnade club, Farmington Country club, and Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of the board of Old Virginia Packing Co., Front Royal, Va.; Riverton Lime and Stone Co., Riverton, Va.; and Crozet Cold Storage Co., Crozet, Va., and a member of Executive committee of the latter firm.

Mr. Self was for 27 years chief clerk and director of transportation for the N. C. Utilities commission. He is now secretary and treasurer of the N. C. Railroad Co., and its subsidiary, the Hoke Real Estate Co. He authored the N. C. Motor Carrier act, and the rules and regulations standardizing modern motor bus service in North Carolina. He is a member of the committee of the national association of Utilities commissions, which drafted the Federal Motor Carrier act of 1935, and a member of the committee on uniform practice and procedure.

Indian Troops Face Bitter Jap Fighting Near Taungup, Burma

CALCUTTA, April 5.—(AP)—Empire troops of the 15th Indian Corps fighting in the coastal region of Burma's Arakan sector, have captured hills dominating the town of Taungup and an airfield, it was announced today.

Japanese resistance was bitter. Southeast Asia command communique said, and the enemy attacked and gained foothold on a hill three miles north of Taungup before they were beaten back.

Capture of Taungup would eliminate the only Japanese escape route from this sector of Burma over the Arakan mountains to the Fortress of Promé on the Irrawaddy river. Empire troops already have cut this road.

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Allies Plunge Within 17 Miles Of Hannover City

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and plans to supply advanced spearheads. One enemy report said tanks were landed to reinforce Patton at the newly captured Langensalza airfield, only 135 miles southwest of Berlin. Patton's troops, at their closest point, are 126 miles from Berlin.

Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's American Seventh Army, advancing on Patton's flank, was meeting stiff opposition in southwestern Germany. (The Brussels radio broadcast a dubious report that the Seventh Army was threatening Fuerth, a suburb of the Nazi shrine center of Nuremberg, after a 35-mile advance.)

Patch's Third Infantry Division pushed across the Main river southwest of Wuerzburg and drove within 23 miles west of the big ball bearing center of Schweinfurt. Other Seventh Army troops cleared one-third of the Neckar river fortress of Heilbronn.

Gen. Jean de Lattre de Tassigny's French First Army drove near Pforzheim in an advance to within 21 miles of Stuttgart.

The Ninth Army, joining the First in driving against 150,000 Germans in the encircled Ruhr, captured the great rail center of Hamm on the northern side of the pocket.

As the Allies advanced on all fronts, Gen. Omar N. Bradley, U. S. 12th Army Group commander, said in an Army Day celebration during flag raising ceremonies over the Ehrenbreitstein fortress at Coblenz, that the Germans were near total defeat.

"This time we shall leave the German people with no illusions about who won the war—no legends about who 'lost the war,'" he said. "Until the German pride in conquest is mangled beneath our tanks we shall not find peace."

NEGROES BEGIN HEALTH SURVEY

The Negro staff of the N. C. School Health Coordinating Service began work in the Negro schools of Wilmington April 2 with a meeting of all Negro principals and teachers.

The staff is composed of a physician, Dr. W. J. Hughes who serves as Director, a nurse, Eugenia Cardice, a health educator, Jennie L. Douglass, and a nutritionist, Lydia Williams.

The program will consist of work in the schools and communities of both the City and County. Teachers will be taught to recognize deviations from the normal in children so as to screen out those children whom they think need to be seen by the physician. The teachers will become better acquainted with the resources available that might aid in the correction of physical defects. There will be a sanitary inspection made of all of the schools. Special work will be done in the field of nutrition through lectures, demonstrations, and conferences.

An effort will be made to improve the school feeding programs. Improved methods and materials for health teaching will be emphasized and a special effort made to vitalize health teaching so that health knowledge will become a definite part of the child's life. Projects and activities will be suggested that might extend from the classroom into the community as a matter of educating the adult population and improving the homes and their environment.

A special effort will be made to work with the adult population through organized groups such as home demonstration clubs, churches, civic organizations, industries. Parent Teachers Associations, and others.

Dr. Hughes and his staff have done a similar work in various counties all over the state, and their coming to New Hanover county has been anticipated for some time. Their work in Wilmington will continue through May 5.

CINCINNATI GROUP OPENS CONVENTION

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their stay. Members will attend the funeral of George P. James today in tribute to his membership and interest in the society.

The Society of the Cincinnati was founded May 13, 1783 on the banks of the Hudson river. Instrumental in the founding of the society was General Henry Knox, chief of artillery during the revolution. George Washington was the first president-general and Alexander Hamilton the second. In over 162 years there have been but 13 president-generals of the society, the first 12 having died while in office. The organization is composed of approximately 1,500 members, representing the 13 state societies (the 13 original states) and France. There are about 200 members of the North Carolina branch, of which Bartlett F. Johnston is president. Membership to the society is open only to the eldest son of the descendants of officers who served three years or more in the American Revolution.

LECTURES PLANNED

CHAPEL HILL, April 6.—(AP)—Junior Senator James William Fulbright of Arkansas, former president of the university, of that state, will give the annual series of well-lectures on citizenship at the University of North Carolina, tomorrow Saturday and Sunday nights in the hall. His general theme will be "America and World Organization."

Weser river line with both tanks and infantry on a 25-mile front north of Kassel, striking between Patton's Third Army in the south and Simpson's Ninth Army in the north.

The tanks jumped off at noon Thursday and raced 22 miles due east of Paderborn across forested hills to the vicinity of Bruchhausen, before they halted for the night.

Taking the road again in the morning, the armor drove three miles along the Nethe highway to the town of Amelunxen, within two miles of the Weser. Another tank column to the south drove five miles to a point three miles north-east of Borgentreich, where they ran into resistance by civilians armed with antitank guns.

Infantry joined the drive from the west and south, jumping off from the area of Paderborn shortly after the tanks started and advancing seven miles east of capture Hofgeismeer, 12 miles north of Kassel, in a drive paralleling the armor.

From there they pushed on east again in the morning, driving eight miles to within a half mile of the Weser at a point three miles north of Hann Muedern, nine miles northeast of Kassel and 161 miles southwest of Berlin.

Another infantry force fought into Hann Muedern and battled house to house through the town against German mortar and machinegun fire at Hann Muedern the Weser, Fulda and Werra rivers join.

North of the First Army, the British-American drive on Hannover vaulted the Weser river at several new places in the area of Minden during the past 24 hours and drove on at least five miles toward the doomed city.

The crossings in the Minden area where light resistance was reported on the approaches to Hannover already has outflanked the port of Bremen and threatens also to cut off Hamburg. Germany's second city with a population of 1,682,000.

(The Federal Communications Commission said Radio Bremen no longer was broadcasting.)

The drive on Hannover was clouded by security silence, but front dispatches said the 30th Infantry and Second Armored Divisions which crossed south of Hamelin Thursday morning had gained another five miles toward the city, placing them within 17 miles.

Infantry, also crossing at Minden, drove five miles beyond, and spread north and south along the east bank. Front dispatches said the American Fifth Armored Division was searching the river, 80 yards wide in that area, for a good crossing point.

Foot soldiers mopping up behind the race to the Weser were taking thousands of trapped Germans in the Muenster-Osnabrueck-Bielefeld triangle, where a majority of the 17,404 prisoners taken by the Ninth Thursday were captured. This bag ran Simpson's total since crossing the Rhine to above 90,000.

The British 11 Armored and Sixth Airborne Divisions, according to the German radio, stormed the Weser at Stolzenau, 28 miles northwest of Hannover, 35 miles southwest of Bremen and 71 miles southwest of Hamburg.

(A British broadcast reported by CBS said Allied troops are less than two miles from Hannover.)

City Briefs

FILES FOR COUNCIL
T. A. Croom, of Carolina Beach, announced yesterday that he had filed for councilman of the resort at the general election May 1.

RETURN TO CITY
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Green have returned to the city from Barrow, Fla., and are visiting at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Pvt. and Mrs. E. H. Green. Pvt. Green and his wife, who have been residing in Wilmington, Calif., are expected to arrive in the city early in the week.

BOUND OVER
Thelma Rhodes, Negroess, of 121 Harnett street, charged with breaking and entering and larceny and receiving, was bound over to Superior court yesterday in Recorder's court. Her bond was set at \$700. She was charged with taking \$600 from the wardrobe of Sol Shain of 412 Campbell street.

PRE-SCHOOL CLINIC
A pre-school clinic for children entering Tilston or Cornelius Harnett schools during the fall term will be held at 2 p. m. Monday at Tilston school, it was announced.

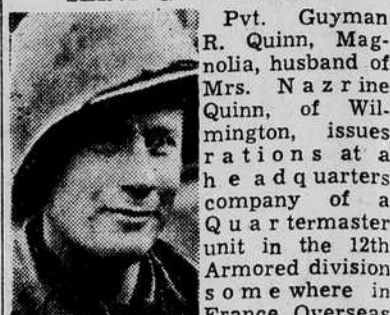
SERMONS SCHEDULED
Spiritual sermons will be held at 7:45 p. m. daily at the Wesleyan Methodist church through April 15, it was announced. The Rev. Carl V. Sparks of Radford, Va., is evangelist. The Rev. S. T. Bays is pastor.

Red Cross War Fund campaign headquarters in the lobby of the Tide Water building will close today, it was announced. Future reports should be turned in to chapter headquarters at room 125 of the Custom House.

BUS DAMAGED
Slight damage was reported last night when city firemen extinguished a blaze in a Queen City bus at the bus terminal at Second and Walnut streets about 7:15 p. m.

In The Service

SERVING IN FRANCE



Pvt. Guyman R. Quinn, Magalia, husband of Mrs. Nazrine Quinn, of Wilmington, issues rations at a headquarters of a Quartermaster unit in the 12th Armored division some where in France. Overseas four months, Pvt. Quinn was a shoe repairman for J. B. Willmans, of Wilmington, prior to entering the Army a year ago.

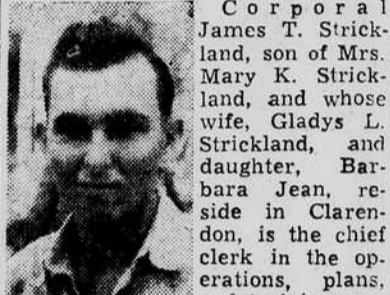
BRONZE STAR

Corporal Bryant H. Williams, brother of Mrs. Ruby W. Hamilton, 517 C Brickett street, Maffitt Village, recently was awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service in combat in Sicily and Italy. He is serving on the Fifth army front in Italy as a driver in the 178th Field Artillery battalion.

Charged with supplying the forward observation post with all types of supplies, he voluntarily drove through German shell and mortar fire to the rear for needed items. On one occasion his vehicle was struck by fragments from an enemy shell, wounding the officer he was driving and damaging the tires.

Under harassing fire, Williams repaired the tires sufficiently to evacuate the wounded officer to a medical aid station.

SERVING IN PHILIPPINES



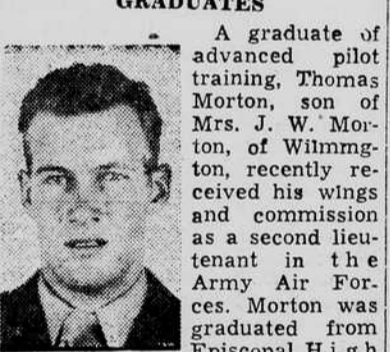
Corporal James T. Strickland, son of Mrs. Mary K. Strickland, and whose wife, Gladys L. Strickland, and daughter, Barbara Jean, reside in Clarendon, is the chief clerk in the operations, plans, and training section at the headquarters of an aircraft maintenance unit of the 13th AAF Service Command, veteran jungle air force that has battled the Japs from Guadalcanal to Formosa. Corporal Strickland, who has been on foreign duty for nine months, wears the Asiatic-Pacific Theatre ribbon with one battle star for participation in a combat area, and also the Good Conduct medal.

The soldier entered the army in November, 1942, and was stationed at Camp Kearns, Utah, before going overseas. Corporal Strickland was formerly employed as bill clerk by the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad company in Wilmington.

PROMOTED

Adding a third chevron to his sleeve, Henry P. Stone of 119 Spofford Mills, is now a sergeant at the auxiliary field of the Cherry Point Marine Corps Air Station. He enlisted in the Marines May 16, 1943, at Lumberton and is serving as an aviation mechanic with a unit of the Ninth Marine Aircraft wing, which is in combat training at Cherry Point.

GRADUATES



A graduate of advanced pilot training, Thomas Morton, son of Mrs. J. W. Morton, of Wilmington, recently received his wings and commission as a second lieutenant in the Army Air Forces. Morton was graduated from Episcopal High school and was employed as a shipfitter by the North Carolina Shipbuilding company prior to entering the service.

SILVER STAR

First Lieutenant Clarence Marshburn, 512 Queen street, was recently awarded the Silver Star for heroic achievement in action against the enemy in France. The citation accompanying the award reads in part: "While advancing with his platoon to an outpost position, he encountered a strong force of the enemy which completely surrounded his group. Seizing an automatic rifle, he immediately ordered a withdrawal and furnished cover for his whole platoon while they fought their way back to their battalion. His good judgment and quick action prevented the retreat from becoming a rout and reflected great credit upon himself and the military service."

'Smiley' Burnette, Movie Actor, To Aid Clothing Campaign at N. C. Yard

"Smiley" Burnette will appear at the North Carolina Shipbuilding Co. in behalf of the United National Clothing Collection for War Relief at the 11 a. m. lunch period today.

The program will include music and entertainment of a varied nature. Officials in charge of the campaign said it is hoped that his appearance will spur clothing collection at the yard.

For the past ten years, Burnette has been co-starred with Gene Autry in various screen and radio shows. He is also appearing at the Carolina theater today.

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